

TRANSIT CO'S
START WARNew York Subway Blocked the
Surface Route

BY PUTTING UP BRACING

The Fire-ridden Parker Building Threatened to Tumble Through the Roof of the Subway—Another Large Fire in New York.

New York, Jan. 13.—Through the erection of timber cribbing over Fourth avenue between 18th and 19th streets, to permit the re-opening of the subway, which was closed Saturday night because of the fire-ridden Parker building, a bitter fight has broken out between the Interborough company and the Fourth avenue surface line.

The cribbing has put the surface line out of commission, and its officers have served notice on the Interborough that they will not permit this and have threatened to send a force of workmen to tear down the cribbing. Work on the cribbing has progressed so far that at 5 a. m. through traffic in the subway was resumed. Trains are now running except that both express and locals all crawl by the danger point.

Early to day no trace had been found of the missing firemen who lost their lives in the fire.

BLOCK OF TENEMENTS
BURNED IN NEW YORK

Blaze Became So Alarming That Four Alarms Were Turned In—The Loss Is About Half a Million.

New York, Jan. 13.—A block of five-story tenement buildings extending from 93d to 94th street on 1st avenue, which had been remodeled for factory purposes and were occupied by a half dozen enterprises, was burned early Sunday, entailing a total loss of about \$500,000.

Adam Hoffel, iron works; L. Rheiman, iron works; Hallenbeck & Duescher, manufacturers; Grossman shoe manufacturing company; Krall Buntz company and the American Rug company suffered most.

The fire was prevented from spreading to adjacent tenements only by the most diligent work for a period of three hours. So serious was the situation at one time that four alarms were sounded.

FIRED THREE SHOTS
INTO HER OWN BREAST

Mrs. Emma B. Parker of Westboro, Mass., Was Despondent Over Postponement of Her Wedding.

Westboro, Mass., Jan. 13.—Despondent over the postponement of her marriage, Mrs. Emma B. Parker, a widow, committed suicide last night by shooting. She was employed as a domestic at the home of Herbert G. Hassall on East Main street. Her body with three bullet wounds in the breast from a revolver of large calibre, was found lying in a vacant lot on East Main street by Police man William Sullivan and neighbors who had heard the sound of shots.

According to Frank Ford, a factory employe, to whom Mrs. Parker was engaged to be married, she called on him yesterday afternoon and reproached him for speaking to other young women on the street. She expressed a wish that their marriage, which was to have taken place at Thanksgiving, but was postponed, should be no longer delayed.

Ford, however, declared that as he had been out of work four weeks he was not financially in condition for marriage. About 6 o'clock he went out to supper, expecting to find her in his room upon his return, but Mrs. Parker left almost immediately, taking with her a revolver which Ford kept in a dressing case. It was with this weapon that she ended her life a few minutes later.

Mrs. Parker was 24 years old and formerly lived in Beloit, Wis., where her husband died eighteen months ago. Ford also lived in Beloit and was one of the pall bearers at her husband's funeral.

Afflicted With Melancholia.

Whitman, Mass., Jan. 13.—William F. Hayden, a prominent resident, 80 years old, committed suicide yesterday by cutting his throat at his home on Warren avenue. Melancholia, from which he had been a sufferer for some months, was supposed to have led to his act. Mr. Hayden formerly lived in Brookfield, removing here about fourteen years ago, after his retirement from business. He was an authority on the secret work of the Masonic order and was past master of a lodge of Masons in Brookfield and chaplain of a lodge here. His wife and three children survive him.

By Inhaling Gas.

Lynn, Mass., Jan. 13.—Charles E. Payson, aged 48, a shoemaker, committed suicide at the home of his parents, 148 Chestnut street, yesterday, by inhaling gas. He leaves a daughter and his parents. Despondency was given as the cause of the act.

BLEW OUT HIS BRAINS.

Richard F. Lewis of Fall River, Mass., a Suicide.

Fall River, Mass., Jan. 13.—With a hand mirror in one hand in order that he might take better aim, and with a revolver in the other, Richard F. Lewis, 45, of the Cambridge street school, was discovered by his wife in the cellar of his home at 162 Rockland street, yesterday, just as he sent the bullet crashing into his brain with a fatal effect. Despondency over illness is given as the cause of the suicide. He leaves a widow and several children.

REAL TRIAL OPENS
WITH THAW NERVOUS

Garvin Said That The State Expected to Show That Thaw Was Entirely Rational.

New York, Jan. 13.—The Thaw trial opened in earnest at 10:12 today when Assistant District Attorney Francis J. Garvin began his address for the state. His remarks were devoid of oratorical flourish and consisted of a plain statement of facts of the killing of Stanford White. He closed at 10:36 and Walter H. Volkenny was called as the first witness to identify the plans of Madison Square Garden, made during the layout of the theatre. At 11 o'clock all the witnesses were ordered excused from the court room, excepting medical witnesses and Evelyn Thaw at once left the court room. Garvin said we shall show you that in committing his crime, Thaw, in conversation with men well known, who will tell their own story, talked as could only a rational man. In concluding he said: "We contend that the killing of Stanford White was a deliberate and premeditated murder, that his responsibility under the law is absolute."

Thaw was plainly affected as Garvin ended and conferred nervously with Attorney Peabody, who seemed to have trouble in reassuring him. In the examination of Volkenny Littleton plainly established his intention to show that White's position was hidden by pillars and vines festooned about them.

The second witness was James Clinch Smith, a brother-in-law of White, upon whom the prosecution depends largely to prove Thaw's sanity on the night of the murder. Smith related his conversation with the defendant at Madison Square theatre just before the tragedy. Thaw advised the witness to buy Amalgamated Copper. He asked if Smith was "very much married" and when asked what he meant he said "Are you about meeting a very nice girl?" Thaw explained that the girl was a buxom brunette, not particularly goodlooking, but a nice girl.

Smith said he told him he was much obliged but he was not "that kind." After more conversation Thaw got up and looked over the heads of the audience and went back to his wife. Then he turned out to determine the relations between witness and White.

By cross-questioning, Littleton brought out that the brother-in-law and Smith had never enjoyed exceptionally close relations. He made slow progress and gained little from his efforts to break down Smith's testimony.

"Why did you want that you knew Thaw was looking at the spot where White was sitting when you actually did not know White was present," thundered Littleton.

"Because," fairly shouted Smith, "the minute I saw that of course I remembered brother-in-law lying there I remembered Thaw kept looking in that direction and I knew at once he had been watching him."

GENERAL GILMORE ON COMMITTEE

To Adopt Suggestions for Amendment to Dick Law.

Boston, Jan. 13.—The annual convention of the National Guard association began a three days' meeting here today in Faneuil hall. The principal business of the morning session was the welcoming speeches by Governor Guild and Mayor Hibbard to which assistant secretary of war Robert S. Shaw replied.

Gen. James A. Drain, chairman of the executive committee, offered a resolution that a legislative committee of one member from each state be appointed to consider suggestions for amendments to the Dick law, which provides for closer union of the militia and the regular army. The resolution was adopted and the committee appointed. It includes General James T. Parker for Massachusetts, General B. Farnham for Maine and General Gilmore of Vermont.

MARVELOUS WORK
BY AN AEROPLANE

Henry Farman's Machine Won 50,000 Franc Prize in Paris Today—Its Performance.

Paris, Jan. 13.—Henry Farman today won the Deutsch-ardechoen prize of 50,000 francs for an aeroplane which would perform certain required evolutions in the Dick law, which provides for closer union of the militia and the regular army. The resolution was adopted and the committee appointed. It includes General James T. Parker for Massachusetts, General B. Farnham for Maine and General Gilmore of Vermont.

GOT AROUND RAISE.

Rented Trolley Car For Funeral Service.

Rutland, Jan. 13.—A raise in the price of hearse and carriages for Sunday funerals brought about something of a novelty here yesterday at the obsequies for Mrs. Robert J. Jones. The family happened to live on a car line and instead of the customary hearse and carriages they engaged a combination express and passenger trolley car which loaded corpses and funeral party at the cemetery gate, the hearse doing the rest. Undertakers predict that the precedent is one which will be largely followed and lively men are hot over it. The car only cost \$5 while a hearse on Sunday costs \$7 and carriages \$6 each.

Mrs. Helen Patterson Williams, a St. Johnsbury woman who has had an art studio in Boston for several years, designed and executed a silver necklace and brooch set, the gift of her husband, which she presented to her husband, a summer resident, in recognition of her great interest in that town. Mrs. Ayer received the gift Christmas day at her winter home in Savannah, Ga.

ONE-THIRD
TRIP ENDEDAmerican Battle Fleet Arrives
at Rio Janeiro

GIVEN A BIG RECEPTION

Sixteen Battleships Entered Port Without Having Sustained Serious Accident, But With Trip Full of Interesting Incidents.

Rio Janeiro, Jan. 13.—The American fleet of sixteen battleships entered the port of Rio Janeiro at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, after a passage from Port of Spain, Trinidad, more than 3,000 miles, unmarred by serious accident, replete with interesting incidents, and ending with a royal welcome from the thousands that had gathered to greet the visitors.

The fleet weighed anchor at 4 o'clock on the afternoon of Dec. 29 at Port of Spain, and exactly at 4 o'clock yesterday the vessels were swinging at their anchors in this beautiful harbor. All of the battleships are here, but the supply ships Culgoa and Glacier are still at sea, not having been able to keep along with the others. The fleet has now covered about 4,500 miles, about a third the distance of the voyage to San Francisco.

Early in the morning the crowds began to gather in the streets of Rio Janeiro, and long before the signal flags were hoisted announcing the approach of the American ships of war, thousands of curious spectators had taken up the points of vantage on public buildings and as elevated ways. When the fleet steamed into the harbor, under the splendid mountains that frame the bay, beautiful in the tropical sun, it was a spectacle incomparable to the eye. The roadstead lay like a glittering mirror beneath.

Word that the fleet had passed Cape Frio, about forty-five miles out, was received at 8:30 o'clock, and immediately scores of tugs and other small craft, crowded with spectators, set out to meet the visitors, and accompanied them to the anchorage. Outlined against the horizon, the great battleships, stretched out in one long line, came slowly through the passage into the bay. The Connecticut, Rear-Admiral Evans' flagship, was in the lead, with the Brazilian cruisers, dressed in gala attire, on either side. Passing the fortresses the Connecticut fired a salute of twenty-one guns, which was responded to by the Brazilian ships, the German cruiser Bremen and the shore guns. The yards and fighting tops were manned and cheers were given for the splendid passage of the flagship and her sister ships.

WITHDRAW TROOPS
FROM NEVADA

President Roosevelt So Determined, According to Statement Made at White House Yesterday.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 13.—President Roosevelt has determined to withdraw the federal troops from Goldfield, Nevada, shortly after the legislature begins its special session, Tuesday. This intention was made known at the White House yesterday, when reports of the special investigating commission was made public, together with a letter from the president to Governor Sparks, dated January 4. The president says he shall be governed by the recommendations in the report, unless the governor can show that the statements of the report are not in accordance with the facts. The report says:

"The conditions did not support the general allegations in the governor's request for troops, nor were his specific statements established by any such extent as to justify his use of these statements for the purpose of getting federal troops."

It concludes with this recommendation: "But we also most firmly believe that upon the assembling of the legislature, or within a few days thereafter, the troops should be removed, regardless of any request for their retention that may be made by either the legislature or the governor of Nevada, it being essential that the state of Nevada shall understand this situation completely, shall recognize the fact that there will, at that time, be thrown upon it and its alone, the primary responsibility of keeping order."

CONFIDENT OF FUTURE.

Real Estate People Are Building Up Old Orchard's Burned District.

Guy A. Batchelder and wife have returned from Old Orchard, Maine, where they have been staying for some time. Mr. Batchelder reports that the confidence of people in the future of this summer resort in spite of the setback of last summer's blizzard is shown by the work of rebuilding which is going on quite rapidly. He reports that Charles H. Campbell's new hotel, four stories high and containing 75 rooms, is now nearly completed. The Batchelders have erected a 16-room cottage. Emory L. Smith and A. D. Morse of this city are also engaged in rebuilding their property.

ONLY FOUR WORKMEN.

Reported in Bigelow Carpet Mills in Lowell Today.

Lowell, Mass., Jan. 13.—Only four employes reported for work when the whistle blew this morning at the Bigelow carpet mills and the city is complete. The strike began eight weeks ago and spread until today 3,000 are out of work. The strikers are preparing for a big mass meeting this afternoon.

GRANITE NOTES
ABOUT NEW ENGLAND

Output of Granite in Quincy, Mass., Was Not Quite Up to Mark in 1907.

The granite business in Quincy, Mass., last year was not up to the year before. There were 120 firms in the manufacturing business, and 15 in the quarry and an average of 1,331 cutters were employed during the year; also 116 sharpeners and 152 polishers. There were shipped in 1907 the total of 132,079,449 pounds of granite, against 163,826,999 for 1906. Of last year's total, 57,963,911 went from Quincy Adams and 80,115,538 from West Quincy. The average weekly shipment was 1,300 tons.

The monthly table of cutters employed for last year and for 1903 show as follows:

Month.	1907.	1903.
January	1,152	750
February	1,012	750
March	1,090	800
April	1,183	850
May	1,183	950
June	1,196	950
July	1,178	950
August	1,215	900
September	1,217	900
October	1,185	800
November	1,157	700
December	1,065	600
Av. per month	1,151	611

Reports from granite districts in Maine are to the effect that business there is very low, Hallowell having but a small proportion of its regular force of men at work.

John Walsh, manager of the American Granite company of Hardwick, has moved the business of the company into its new plant just below the Sullivan Granite works on the line of the Hardwick and Woodbury railroad, from quarters occupied by it since it was established over five years ago, which were outgrown. The new plant is modern in equipment and arrangement in every way, for the manufacture of granite in any form for monumental purposes. Besides the shed proper which is large enough to accommodate more than twenty workmen there is a well lighted office, a hoisting room fitted with improved hoisting apparatus and an electric motor operating a new outside derrick capable of handling large stones; a blacksmith shop, a room for grinding tools, and one in which is situated a new thirty horse power electric motor and pump. The new plant is complete in itself, dependent only upon power, to do any kind of work. This has all developed from a small beginning only a comparatively short time ago and is a most interesting illustration of what can be done in granite business by a little push.

NEW MODEL ENGINE.

Was Explained Before Meeting of Engineer Saturday Evening.

A lecture and description by the use of charts on the friction rotating engine was given Saturday evening before the local association of stationary engineers at the room in the Wheelock building by A. D. McAnley, a mechanical expert, employed by the Stratton Rotating Engine company, Fitchburg, Mass. There were about twenty engineers present from this city, Granville and Montpelier. This engine is a new invention and has been on the market since last October.

In the beginning his discourse on the merits of the engine, the speaker said that the engine was by no means a radically new engine and that it was not an entirely new invention as regards steam engines, only in the principles of operation, at the recent in the Wheelock building by A. D. McAnley, a mechanical expert, employed by the Stratton Rotating Engine company, Fitchburg, Mass. There were about twenty engineers present from this city, Granville and Montpelier. This engine is a new invention and has been on the market since last October.

To its advantage as against the crank engine, he said that it has practically no connecting rod, no steam chest, no shock or piston return, no lost motion and no crank; also that it has a compound leverage, only two per cent. friction and has expansion on the down-bill side. He said that the engine when going at speed could be reversed, brought to a standstill and up to speed again in twenty seconds. He said that the engine was being pushed onto the market as rapidly as possible and he expected that one of the engines would be put up in Montpelier in the near future. That it is practical and of mechanical importance, something could be judged, he said, from the fact that it was selling patents in eight foreign countries.

OUR SUMMERY WINTER.

Crows, Caterpillars, Robins and Electrical Storms Remind of It.

Signs continue to multiply that the winter of 1907-08 is a most extraordinary one. One Barre man reported to-day that on Saturday he saw a robin near his house. This morning there was a vivid display of lightning, the heavens being lighted up almost continuously for a considerable space of time. Then, again, crows are not taking the trouble to go to their usual haunts. Fourthly, quite unusual, two separate caterpillars have been reported by various citizens of tried veracity. All of which goes to prove that our winter is part summer.

"The Old Farmer's Almanac" predicts moderating weather up to the 15th of January, after which a cooler spell for three days and then a mild spell, followed by snow or rain.

The National bank of Vergennes has declared a semi-annual dividend of 3 1/2 per cent. The largest dividend declared since the present cashier, Charles H. Strong, has held that office.

FELL ASLEEP
ON THE TRACKJack Burns Killed at Barton
Sunday Morning

WAS PROBABLY DRUNK

With Fellow Lumbermen He Was in Barton Saturday Night—His Place of Residence Was Magog, P. Q.

Barton, Jan. 13.—The engineer of a southbound freight train discovered the body of a man upon the track, one mile south of this station, at 8 o'clock Sunday morning. Selectman N. M. Lewis, with town clerk L. M. Hubbard, went to the scene.

From clothing it was concluded that the body was that of Jack Burns of Magog, Que., who has been in the employ of the Willoughby Wood and Lumber company of South Barton. Burns was in Barton Saturday night with fellow employes, but was not seen after 8 o'clock, so far as can be learned.

An empty pint bottle and the position of the body indicated that he went to sleep on the tracks. Relatives in Magog have been notified.

SIXTIETH ANNIVERSARY
OF THEIR WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. Eli Labounty of Essex Junction Are The Couple Who Have Traveled So Long Together.

Essex Junction, Jan. 13.—Mr. and Mrs. Eli Labounty of this village were married 60 years ago today. Mr. Labounty is 77 years old and Mrs. Labounty is a well preserved woman of 74 years. Margaret Guyette was 14 years old when she was married to Eli Labounty who was 17. Mrs. Labounty has been the mother of nine children, four of whom are living. They are: Eli of Charlotte, Mrs. Kate Bertrand of Lynn, Mass., Joseph Labounty of this village and Mary Labounty of Three Rivers, Minn. Mr. Labounty was born in St. Cesaire, Canada, and was brought to Essex Junction when he was three years old. He has never visited the place of his birth and has never been out of Chittenden county over night. The father of Mr. Labounty was the parent of 11 children. The father of Mrs. Labounty was married three times and was the parent of 23 children. Five by the first wife, 10 by the second and 12 by the third.

Thirty-two years ago Mr. Labounty had a pair of calfskin boots made for him by a shoemaker in Williston. He still wears these boots on Sundays and extraordinary occasions. The Rev. Father Galligan, who has been dead at least 50 years performed their marriage ceremony.

QUARRY CONFERENCE
CAME TO NO RESULT

Workers Stood Out For Their Old Yearly Bill While Owners Want a Three Years' Agreement.

A conference between the quarry owners and their employes was held in the formers' rooms in this city Saturday afternoon, but came to no result. The workers were quite firm in their desire for the old bill which runs from year to year. The quarry owners want a bill for three years or to conform with other proposed bills in the granite industry. When the conference adjourned there was no agreement to an agreement, and no further conference was arranged.

GIVEN MINIMUM SENTENCE.

Fred Yattaw Pleads Guilty in Addison County Court.

Middlebury, Jan. 13.—In Addison county court Saturday morning the case of State vs. Harry Yattaw of Vergennes was continued from Friday. Yattaw withdrew his plea of not guilty, and a plea of guilty to a charge of furnishing intoxicating liquor was accepted. In the mean time the jury in the case of State vs. Leon Culver and Fred Curran, which was deliberated all night, came in for instruction from the court at ten o'clock. At eleven o'clock it reported a verdict of guilty as charged. Curran and Culver failed to agree in the matter of Culver's plea of innocence. Judge Miles asked the foreman if there was any possibility of their coming together and, upon the assurance that he thought not, the jury was excused from further consideration of the case. Sentence was reserved.

Judge Miles imposed the minimum sentence upon Fred Yattaw that he serve not more than three months and ten days or less than three months in the house of correction at Rutland.

Mattie Tyler pleaded guilty to adultery. Her counsel, Ira H. LaFleur, made representation to the court regarding the youth of the prisoner and cited extenuating circumstances for which he asked that the woman be placed in the hands of the probation officer. This was seconded by State's Attorney Russell. Judge Miles directed that the probation officer inquire into the circumstances and report to the court later.

NOT G. BURNHAM OF WATERBURY

Who Was Raided for Liquor Without Success on Friday.

George J. Burnham of Waterbury writes that he was not the "George Burnham of Waterbury" who was raided, as stated in Saturday's Times. As a matter of fact, it was not a Waterbury man at all that was raided; rather George Burnham of Woodbury, and the constable didn't get any liquor there. But the type had it, sure enough, that it was George Burnham of Waterbury, a mistake which the Times hereby corrects.

LONG SENTENCE
FOR YOUNG MAN

Michael Madden, Who Fired Revolver When He Didn't Get a Cigarette.

Michael Madden, the youth who made five men jump with revolver shots when they refused to give him a cigarette at Middlesex Friday afternoon, was in Montpelier city court to-day. He was arraigned for a simple breach of the peace on Charles Lee, one of the men, and was told by Judge Harvey that he was lucky to get off without a charge of assault with intent to kill. He was told that he might have a trial if he wanted, but he said he guessed a plea of guilty was about the thing to do, although he said he realized nothing of what was charged.

Judge Harvey then sentenced the young man to the house of correction for not less than three years or more than three and a half years. Madden is 22 years old and has worked off and on at the Moretown tale mines for three years. He said that he hadn't been drinking anything for five months until Friday, when he downed a good deal. Melinda Barrett of Woodbury was before Judge Harvey Saturday afternoon and asked that information be filed against her for unnecessary cruelty to her three-year-old child. She had been previously bound over on the charge, prosecution having been brought by Grand Juror Ainsworth of Woodbury. When the information was filed against her on Saturday she pleaded guilty and was sentenced to not less than a year and not more than a year and three months in the state prison. Then she was placed on probation. She is the mother of seven children.

A GOVERNOR OF "SAND."

Declares John H. Senter of Montpelier About Governor Proctor.

Representative John H. Senter of Montpelier, the acknowledged leader of the minority in the Vermont legislature of 1906 and a man whose policies have never been questioned in debate, is willing to be quoted as being strongly in favor of the re-election of Fletcher D. Proctor for governor of Vermont for two years from next October.

Mr. Senter said in this connection he hoped none would be so foolish as to infer that he favored Governor Proctor's smashing precedent, and succeeding himself because the governor appointed him a member of the double taxation commission, in fact he would give no small sum to be relieved of the duties of that appointment, but he favors the re-election of Governor Proctor because of the record he has "made good" and because he is the only governor Vermont has had in recent years who has had a definite policy and has had the said to carry it out.

Mr. Senter recognizes the fact that Governor Proctor will not be a candidate for re-election in usually accepted meaning of that term, but he believes the present chief executive would not ignore a definite and decisive demand from his party that he accept a re-nomination, which would be equivalent to a re-election. Mr. Senter even expresses his willingness if such a demand is clearly known and Governor Proctor consents to the use of his name, to turn in and do all in his power to make the thing unanimous.

POOR BOOK ACCOUNTS.

Caused Petition in Bankruptcy by Martin J. McGowan.

Poor credit accounts are the cause of the financial embarrassment of Martin J. McGowan, a South Main street merchant, who has filed a petition in bankruptcy, with liabilities of \$6,713.05 and assets of \$5,315.25, of which amount \$553 is claimed exempt. Mr. McGowan has probably been hit harder than any other Barre merchant because of the bankruptcy of people who had accounts with him and because of the accounts of other debtors from the city. His own creditors, with one exception, were willing to steer him away from bankruptcy proceedings by accepting a percentage and some were even willing to go as far as to help him restock his store.

But one creditor in particular refused to abide by the percentage basis, and as a result it became necessary to take the case in court. The principal creditors are the Montpelier Grocery company, the Spaulding, Kimball company of Burlington, Berry, Hall company of the same city and Taylor, a Boston grocer. Mr. McGowan has been in business here for about fifteen years. Frank J. Martin is his attorney.

SURPRISED THEIR TEACHER.

Ninth Grade Scholars in Montpelier School Gave Party For Mrs. Theriault.

A surprise party was tendered Mrs. W. N. Theriault, who resigned her place as teacher in the ninth grade school at Montpelier, at the auditorium of the school on East State street in that city Saturday evening. There were about fifty people present. The hall was decorated in red and white, the colors of the class over which she was teacher. Games were played and dancing was also enjoyed. Her pupils, through their president, Earl Glass, presented Mrs. Theriault a handsome silver spoon as a token of their appreciation of her work. The evening was a most enjoyable one for all.

TROUBLE OVER FEES.

Is The Latest Chapter of Montpelier City Hall Trouble.

Troubles still continue to gather over the heads of the Montpelier city hall building committee. It has been found the contract which had been signed by Architect Adams was not satisfactory inasmuch as it called for a payment to him of more than \$2,000 in fees in case the city hall should not be built. If the committee goes on and builds the hall at a cost of about \$90,000 the architect's fees will be about \$4,500. It is expected the features of the contract which are not clear will be eliminated and a new one will be signed.

Among arrivals at the City hotel to-day are N. Louis Schommer, Boston; W. C. White, Middlesex; W. J. Barrett, Burlington; Edwin Triple, Boston; Geo. R. Wells, Burlington; F. J. Robins, Boston.

LAD WANDERED
BIG DISTANCELyle Baker, Who Escaped
From Industrial School

FINALLY CAUGHT IN BARRE

He and Levi Worcester Eluded Vergennes School Authorities on December 27—Latter Has Not Been Located.

Lyle Baker, son of S. E. Baker of this city, who was sentenced to the industrial school at Vergennes on October 5, made his escape from the school on Dec. 27, and last night was captured by Chief David Faulkner and Deputy Sheriff H. D. Camp at the home of his uncle, Fred A. Downing, who resides on the East hill in Barre Town. The boy was locked in the police station and the chief then telephoned to the superintendent of the industrial school that he had the boy in custody. An officer from the school will arrive here to-day to take him back to Vergennes.

The officers here who had been notified after Baker escaped became suspicious Saturday that he was in Downing's house and went up to the farm in the evening and without letting anyone know of their presence looked around and convinced themselves that Baker was there. Last night they went into the house and found the runaway. The Downings say that the boy told them that he had been let out of the school.

According to Baker's story to the officers of his wanderings since he escaped from the school, he has been over a good part of this state and of New Hampshire making his way on foot and by jumping freight trains. Baker said that he and Levi Worcester, a boy sentenced from Rutland, made their escape from the school about nine o'clock in the evening of December 27. He said they were in the reading room, and a chance came for them to skip out of the building, unseen, and they took advantage of it.

The boy said that the officers from the school were close after them that night. At the railroad station in Vergennes they were hiding in a box car of a freight train, and looking through a crack in the side of the car saw the assistants jump out of the school car and up and try the door of the car on the opposite side from the one by which they had entered. Baker said they then decided it was unsafe to stay in the car, and they got out and traveled all night over the mountain to North Ferrisburgh, and from there to Burlington. At Burlington Baker was left with his companion and jumping on the rear end of an engine he rode to Essex Junction and there jumped on the front end of a mail car that brought him to Montpelier Junction, and from there he said he paid his fare to Barre and leaving at least 50 trains at Granite street he went to his home.

Fearing that he would soon be caught if he stayed here, he started out again and walked to Plainfield and from there made his way to Groton and into New Hampshire. He said he had not been at his uncle's on the East hill a few days. Baker, who is 15 years of age, was sentenced to the school for the remainder of his minority for stealing money from a bank that belonged to a boarder at his home. The Worcester boy is still at large.

HOLLAND TOOK PLEDGE.

Had Been Arrested For a Subsequent Offense—In Court Today.

One case of intoxication was disposed of in the city court this morning. George Holland was arrested Saturday afternoon by Special Officer Fred S. Bruce pleaded guilty to a subsequent offense and was given a sentence of 30 days in the county jail and to pay the costs. On recommendation of the officer and the grand juror that Holland be allowed to sign the pledge Judge Scott gave him the privilege on his payment of the costs. Supl. Bruce explained to the court that Holland, when he kept straight, was a good workman for the street department and he thought the city would be the gainer by giving him one more chance.

AN ASSAULT ALLEGED.

Man Was Arrested by Patrolman Carle This Afternoon.

An Italian, whose name is unknown to the police, was arrested this afternoon at his home on Granite street by Officer George Carle on a warrant charging him with a breach of the peace. The offense is alleged to have been committed Saturday night. This man is said to have struck another man on his lip badly, presumably with a knife.

PRISONERS EARNED \$1,400.

At The Washington County Jail in 1907.

Assistant Judges L. R. Wells of Middlesex and C. M. Winch of Barre town, R. S. Currier of this city and Sheriff Frank H. Track of Montpelier, composing the prison board for Washington county, met at the jail Saturday afternoon to look over the accounts for the past year. The prisoners earned in the year 1907 about \$1,400 of which more than \$500 was net gain to the state. When the wood lot which the board is to purchase is ready for business, the large number of prisoners now idle in the jail will be put at work.

The monthly meeting of the Ladies' Aid society of St. Monica's church will be held in the convent, Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

The regular meeting of the Queen of the Forest circle, no. 357, will be held Tuesday, January 14.